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1962 Dove in a
Jim 55 Elk Neck
Bud 57 12 Stiches
Jerry Devers extracted
old Razor blade
+ tweezers

Speed Bumps Along the Road

About 1927 I started off with Scarlet Fever & then Diptheria - Measles - Mumps - Chicken pox - Whooping cough and at night, the bed bugs would eat you up. It was a way of life in the Depression years. I am 81 now and I can only work part time on cars and trucks. I broke my left thumb twice, my pointing finger on my right hand when it was caught in a fan belt. A rear spring broke on an old Ford and mashed my foot and broke all my toes. My left hand was sewed up twice. We were playing in a landfill and I was shot in my left ankle and was shot through my left thigh in Landa, Germany. Broke my jaw on a foot locker at Ft. Custer, Mich. Had my head stitched up four times, steel cut out of my eye three times. Car fell on me at Haffbergers garage, collapsing my left lung and fracturing three ribs. Knocked down by a car on Highland Ave as a kid, Drowned behind Continental Can clay ponds. Drowned in Herring Run under a log jam. Mashed all my finger nails off at least twice. Car battery blew up temporarily blinding me. Nearly decapitated by wire in Belgium while riding in Army truck. Saved from sudden death by Joe on Rt 50 by tractor trailer. Saved from sudden death by Joe from train off Ebenezer Road. Set on fire when Boiler blew up at Griebel Motors.

Severely burned by Acetaylen torch explosion at Diamond Cab. Broke three teeth out when big Ratchet broke at Tower Ford truck shop. I slammed a phone down on an irate customer at Tower Ford and received eleven stitches on my right hand. Jumped out of the rear of a pickup truck and broke my right ankle. Six weeks on crutches. Took 220 Volts repairing Sharon's Dryer. I also had a double by pass at U. of Md. ***

P.S. I broke my nose in basic training at Camp Skokie Valley in Ill. Plus I swallowed a 1½ inch nail in shop class in 1942. and its never been found. I have fallen arches, headaches, hearing and eyesight failing I am almost 82 and my van has 239,000 miles on it. We are both on borrowed time. So much for the good old days. If I knew I would have lived this long I would have taken better care of myself. "I wouldn't have missed it for the world."

Jim Sr.

P.S. In between all of this, he had a heart attack.

*** I almost forgot Marge
P.P.S. ~~I almost forgot.~~ I have a four in. scar on my back. I had a six inch splinter in my back when I slid across a dance floor at Patterson Park Dance Floor when I was eleven. Hospital Cut it out. Jim Sr